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IN RE APPLICATION OF

ROBERT TOWNSEND

APPLICATION NO: 09/877,987

FILED: JUNE 8, 2001

FOR: METHODS FOR REGULATING A LYMPHOCYTE
MEDIATED IMMUNE RESPONSE BY BLOCKING
COSTIMULATORY SIGNALS AND BLOCKING
FLA-1 MEDIATED ADHESION IN LYMPHOCYTES

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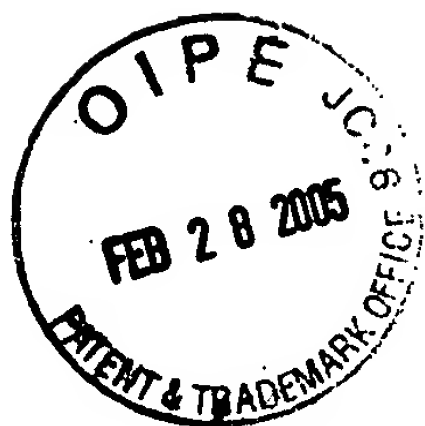
RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated January 26, 2005, requesting a species election, namely, election of three agents (according to the previous election of record) or four agents according to the RCE (10/12/04) of record, Applicants elect the four agent species set forth in pending claims 1(d), 3(d), 4(d), 17(d), 18(d) and 44.

An additional species election is therefore requested for the fourth agent. Applicants elect mycophenolate mofetil as the fourth agent set forth in claims 1(d), 3(d), 4(d), 17(d), 18(d) and 44.

Applicants understand that the claims will be restricted to the species only if no generic claim is found allowable. Further, Applicants understand that upon allowance of a generic claim,



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applicant will be entitled to consideration of claims to additional species which are written in dependent form or otherwise include all the limitation of an allowed generic claim as provided by 37 C.F.R. 1.141.

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